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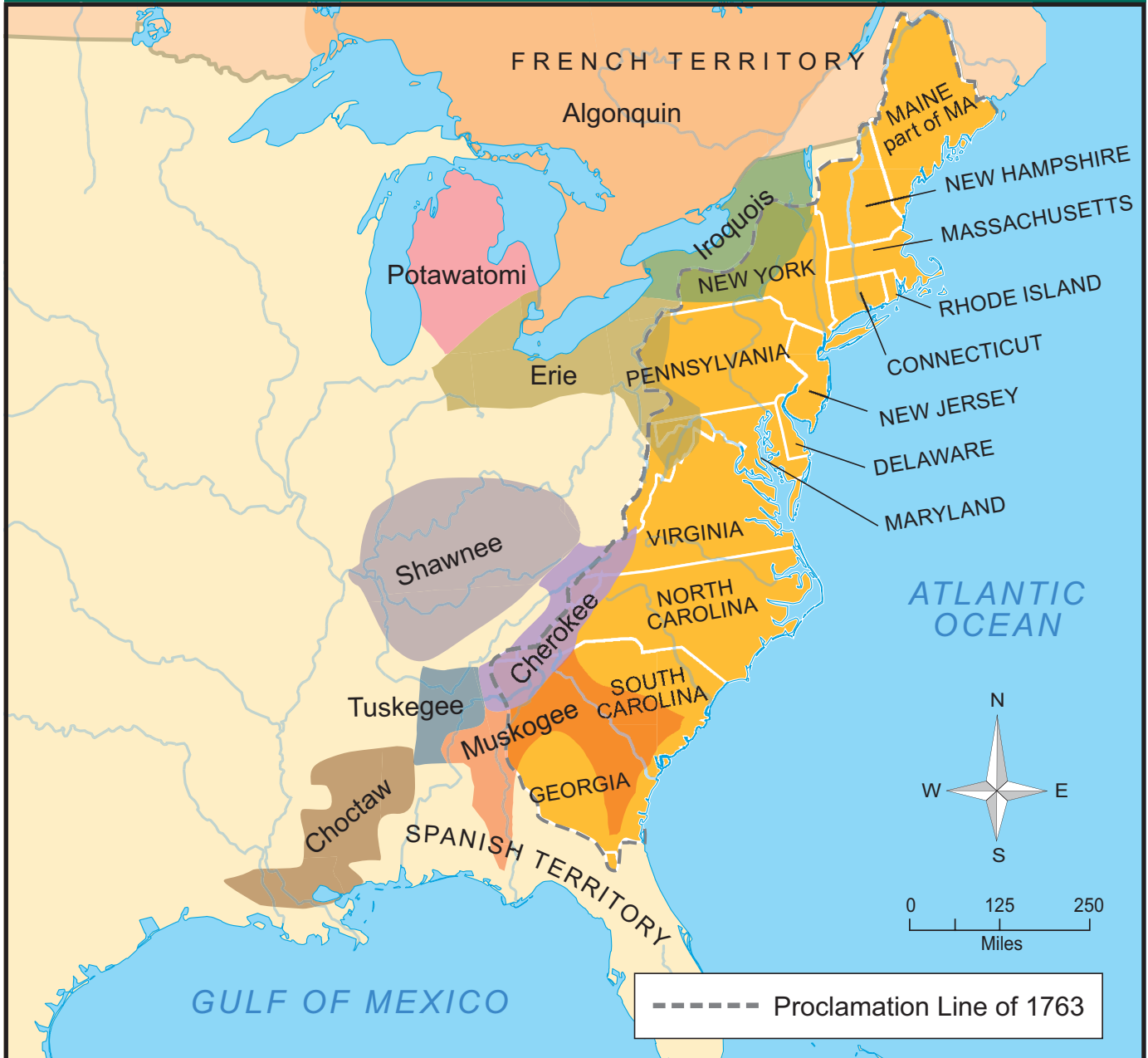
Lesson 6 The Land Ordinances Bring Change

None required for this lesson.

VA #1 Discussion Summary

1. What is the Cosumnes River Preserve?
2. How did wildlife use the land surrounding the preserve?
3. How did California Indians use the land surrounding the preserve?
4. How did settlers in the 1800s use the land surrounding the preserve?
5. How do people use the land surrounding the preserve today?

VA #2 The Proclamation of 1763



VA #3 Venerate the Plough



VA #4 Land Use Vocabulary

Civic virtue: Having behaviors and beliefs that put the public interest ahead of one's own interests.

Expansion: Increasing the size of something.

Marketplace: A place where goods are bought and sold.

Profit: The amount of money or goods remaining after all costs of a transaction are deducted.

Subsistence farming: Farming practices that produce only enough crops and livestock to feed farmers and their families.

Surplus: The quantity of goods or services above the quantity needed to meet one's own needs.

VA #5 Map of the Ohio River Valley



VA #6 Characteristics of Land Use

Characteristics	Shawnee	Land Speculators and Surveyors	Farmers
Practiced individual ownership			
Practiced shared ownership			
Bought land			
Changed land to prepare for farms			
Fertilized fields			
Moved from field to field			
Farmed for subsistence			
Profited from the land or its goods			

VA #7 Map of the Eastern United States



VA #8 Western Land Claims, 1783



VA #9 Western Land Claims Ceded by States



VA #10 Western Lands: Questions

1. How can the territory gained from winning the Revolutionary War help enrich and strengthen the new country?
2. How do we distribute land but avoid conflict from boundary disputes and lawsuits?
3. How do we maintain republican ideals, law and order, and keep the union together in a rapidly expanding country?
4. What do we do to prevent more conflict with the American Indians already living in western lands?
5. How do we maintain national unity and avoid an East-West division?



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